Comments regarding MB Docket 18-184

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The MB Docket 18-184 proposal before you and under your consideration would give us a little more service area and affect no other station. That area, at present, is not providing anyone any service. Please make this an opportunity for broadcasters who are able to take advantage of a power increase to better serve their areas of responsibility. I feel, the efficient use of the FM broadcast band is a Commission responsibility and this proposal would help use more efficiently the limited spectrum we call the FM Band. A C4 class service, that would allow an ERP of 12,000 watts, would fill that gap between Class A and Class C3 facilities that should be repaired in order to render a more efficient use of the FM broadcast spectrum. This proposal will remove an allocation short sight that currently prevents the best use of the FM band. Please add the C4 class service, it would be good for broadcasters and citizens residing and working in the possible new areas of service.